

MINUTES OF THE QUARTERLY MEETING OF
THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF
THE SOCIETY FOR CREATIVE ANACHRONISM, INC.

October 20, 2007

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 9:05 a.m. MST at the Embassy Suites/ Phoenix Airport in Phoenix, Arizona, by Chairman Hal Simon.

ATTENDANCE:

Directors Present:

Hal Simon, Chairman
Gabrielle Underwood, Vice-Chairman
Jeff Brown,
Heather English
Aaron "Rusty" Lloyd
Marilee Lloyd
Shawn Reed

Director Elect

Erik Langhans

Staff and Officers Present:

Patrick M. Anderson, President
George Reed, Society Seneschal
Renee Signorotti, Vice President of Corporate Operations
Leslie Luther-Fulton, Executive Assistant

Guests:

Marcia Schlemm (Katrei Grunenberg), Society Chirurgeon

I. ESTABLISHMENT OF AGENDA

Motion by Shawn Reed to approve the agenda as presented and to take agenda items out of order as necessary. Seconded by Gabrielle Underwood. In favor: Jeff Brown, Heather English, Aaron Lloyd, Marilee Lloyd, Shawn Reed, Gabrielle Underwood. Opposed: None. Motion carried.

II APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. July 14, 2007 Quarterly Meeting Minutes

Motion by Marilee Lloyd to approve the July 14, 2007 quarterly meeting minutes as presented. Seconded by Aaron Lloyd. In favor: Jeff Brown, Heather English, Aaron Lloyd, Marilee Lloyd, Shawn Reed, Gabrielle Underwood. Opposed: None. Motion carried.

B. August 20, 2007 Conference Call Minutes

Motion by Gabrielle Underwood to approve the August 20, 2007 conference call minutes as presented. Seconded by Jeff Brown. In favor: Jeff Brown, Heather English, Aaron Lloyd, Marilee Lloyd, Shawn Reed, Gabrielle Underwood. Opposed: None. Motion carried.

III RECURRING BUSINESS

A. Status Changes

1 New Branches

- a. Riversedge- Aethelmearc (Crawford County, PA)
- b. Grimwithshire – An Tir (Pend O’Reille & Stevens Counties, WA)
- c. Eplarheimer – Drachenwald (Ireland: Tipperary, Laois, Olfaly)
- d. Qu al Jafar – Middle (Hendricks County & Lebanon, IN)
- e. Ealdnordwuda – Middle (Kingston, MI)
- f. Catteden – Middle (Deshler, OH)
- g. Eastwatch – Middle (Painesville, OH)
- h. Westmere – Middle (Eau Claire, MI)
- i. Three Spires – Outlands (Metro State College/ Denver CO)

By consensus, the Board took note of the above new branches.

2. Routine Changes in Status

There were no changes in status.

3. Dissolutions

- a. Duthaich Beinne Aird – Outlands (Laramie, WY)

By consensus, the Board took note of the above dissolutions.

B. Quarterly Meeting Schedule

1. Establishment/Confirmation of Meeting Dates & Locations

- a. January 2008

The Board confirmed that the January 2008 quarterly meeting is scheduled to take place on January 26, 2008 in Tampa, Florida (Kingdom of Trimaris).

- b. April 2008 – Coburg, GERMANY

The Board confirmed that the April 2008 quarterly meeting is scheduled to take place on April 13, 2008 in Coburg, GERMANY (Kingdom of Drachenwald).

- c. July 2008 – Seattle, WA – rotating with West April 2009

The Board confirmed that the July 2008 quarterly meeting is scheduled to take place on July 12, 2008 in Seattle, WA (Kingdom of An Tir).

- d. October 2008

The Board confirmed that the October 2008 quarterly meeting is scheduled to take place on October 18, 2008 in Halifax N.S. CANADA (Kingdom of the East).

2. Invited Guests

- a. January 26, 2008

Chairman Simon ruled that the following individuals would be invited to the January 26, 2007 quarterly meeting:

Mazelle Attiya, Treasurer

- b. April 13, 2008

Chairman Simon ruled that the following individuals would be invited to the April 13, 2008 quarterly meeting:

Mazelle Attiya, Treasurer

- C. Conference Call Schedule

1. November 19, 2007 – Agenda items due November 12, 2007

- D. Bank Account Authorizations

1. Mountain Freehold
2. Coill Tuar
3. Barony of Iron Bog
4. Shire of Tir Briste
5. Shire of Brantestone
6. Shire of Rising Stone
7. Shire of Loch Cairn
8. Shire of Shadowlands
9. Kingdom of Ansteorra
10. Kingdom of Ansteorra
11. Barony of Delftwood

12. Kingdom of Aethelmearc
13. Barony of Endless Hills
14. Ravenhill
15. Canton of Northpass
16. Shire of Owls Reste
17. Barony of Bhakail
18. Eisental
19. Bergental

By consensus, the Board took note of the above bank account authorizations.

E. Warrants

Chairman Simon ordered that any warrants presented during the course of the meeting be signed during a break.

F. Ongoing Projects

1. Board Recruiting

Gabrielle Underwood stated that there are at present forty-six (46) candidates on the list of Board nominees – one (1) who is from the Kingdom of Atenveldt, the host Kingdom for the October 2007 Board meeting. She stated that commentary from the membership on these nominees is always welcomed, as are new nominations.

IV OLD BUSINESS

A. Adult Equestrian Liability Waivers

Motion by Heather English to approve the Adult Equestrian Liability Waivers as presented. Seconded by Aaron Lloyd. In favor: Jeff Brown, Heather English, Aaron Lloyd, Marilee Lloyd, Shawn Reed, Gabrielle Underwood. Opposed: None. Motion carried.

V. NEW BUSINESS

A Non-Member Surcharge Adjustment

Motion by Shawn Reed to set the Canadian NMS to \$3 CAD, effective immediately. Seconded by Marilee Lloyd. In favor: Jeff Brown, Heather English, Aaron Lloyd, Marilee Lloyd, Shawn Reed, Gabrielle Underwood. Opposed: None. Motion carried.

B. Chancellor of The Exchequer Handbook – 2007 Revision

Motion by Heather English to adopt the revisions to the Chancellor of The Exchequer Handbook – 2007 as presented, effective immediately. Seconded by Gabrielle Underwood. In favor: Jeff Brown, Heather English, Aaron Lloyd, Marilee Lloyd, Shawn Reed, Gabrielle Underwood. Opposed: None. Motion carried.

C. Equestrian Handbook – 2007 Revision

Motion by Aaron Lloyd to adopt / approve the revisions to the Equestrian Handbook – 2007 as presented, effective immediately. Seconded by Jeff Brown. In favor: Jeff Brown, Heather English, Aaron Lloyd, Marilee Lloyd, Shawn Reed, Gabrielle Underwood. Opposed: None. Motion carried.

D. 2008 Budget

Chairman Simon ordered that this item be remanded to the January 2008 quarterly meeting.

VI REPORTS

A. President—Patrick Anderson (Gabriel andvaka Kjotvason)

(A) Requests for Board action:

1. The Canadian Dollar and the United States Dollar are approximately at parity, and look to remain so for the foreseeable future. Due to this, I respectfully request that the Board reduce the Canadian NMS to \$3 CAD, from its current state of \$4 CAD.

Handled under Item V.A.

(B) Policy interpretations: None.

(C) New policies: None.

(D) Commendations:

I would like to thank Renee Signorotti and Hal Simon for helping me keep my sanity as we have gone through this quarter. I would also like to thank Stephanie Drummonds, who has to hate seeing my phone number appear on her caller id, because it always means that something ...interesting... has occurred and I need help in saying something about it.

(E) Publishable summary:

As everyone should know, there are now two lawsuits against us in Pennsylvania. One is from alleged abuse victims, and one from our insurance company seeking a judicial determination that the policy does not cover the SCA in the case of the alleged abuse victims. These are proceeding currently. The SCA, Inc. however, continues to be strong. We continue to hold events, fighter's practices, arts and science meetings, and all the other things that the SCA is known for. We continue to have fun doing

what we do. While sometimes there is interference by the modern legal world in the activities of the SCA, the corporate staff and officers make every attempt to keep this interference to a minimum. We want everyone to continue to have fun in the SCA.

Report filed.

B. Vice President of Operations (Society Seneschal) – George Reed (Aaron faheud Swiftrunner of the Stone Keep)

(A) Requests for Board action:

1. Please set the standard NMS for North America to \$3.00 (CDN or US).

The two currencies have been at or near par for the last two quarters, with no forecast change.

Handled under Item V. A.

(B) Policy interpretations:

1. The Seneschal of An Tir asks “How much authority does the Kingdom Seneschal have with regard to selecting Event Venues - specifically, can they forbid a given site from being used for either Kingdom or local events?”

The Kingdom Seneschal is the senior Operations officer and contracting authority in the Kingdom. As such they have a responsibility to ensure we use only safe, legitimate, respectable facilities and have the authority to forbid the use of certain venues for SCA functions. It is presumed that the Kingdom Seneschal will use this authority wisely.

Motion by Shawn Reed to uphold the Society Seneschal’s policy interpretation that Kingdom Seneschals have the authority to approve or deny the use of certain venues for SCA functions effective immediately. Seconded by Jeff Brown. In favor: Jeff Brown, Heather English, Marilee Lloyd, Shawn Reed, Gabrielle Underwood. Opposed: None. Motion carried.

(C) The Seneschal of Aethelmearc asked whether or not all groups not kingdoms had to be a part of a kingdom.

Details on why the question was asked are provided elsewhere, but my ruling is that yes, all branches which are not kingdoms are in fact subsidiary to a Kingdom. Have all the theatre you want, but branch management uses a fixed format chain of command. The relevant portion of Corpora is: "C. Branch Designations."

The designations given below are considered standard, and their use for branches of the appropriate type needs no special justification:

- Kingdom: area ruled by a King and Queen
- Principality: area within a kingdom ruled by Prince and Princess

- Barony: area administered by a Baron and/or Baroness, the ceremonial representative(s) of the Crown
- Province: equivalent of barony without ceremonial representative
- Shire: local branch reporting directly to a kingdom or principality
- Canton: local branch reporting through a barony"

Motion by Gabrielle Underwood to uphold the Society Seneschal's ruling that all groups must be a part of a kingdom effective immediately. Seconded by Aaron Lloyd. In favor: Jeff Brown, Heather English, Marilee Lloyd, Shawn Reed, Gabrielle Underwood. Opposed: None. Chairman Simon exercised his option to vote and did so in favor of the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

(C) New Policies: None.

(D) Commendations:

- Countess Kenna Harve, Middle Kingdom - Successful tenure as Kingdom Seneschal. In every person's life you are blessed at least once to work with a truly good soul, whose skill, effort, and love for those around themselves outweighs their own agendas. I had this great boon when I got to be Midrealm Seneschal while Kenna was Queen on her own after Jafar passed. What a shining soul I got to know that year! But now, these many years later I am in the post of Imperial Seneschal, and Kenna stepped up to the plate to be the Midrealm Seneschal. Her calm, perseverance, infinite patience, and ebullient good humor created lit the dark. In summary, when you get to work with someone like Kenna once, it is a wonderful thing. When it happens again, you are downright blessed by the powers that be. We do not know where Countess Kenna will go next, but we *do* know there will be light and laughter.
- Autocrats and Staff of Pennsic XXXVI - War succeeded despite many extremes of weather. The weather was turbulent this year, but the event was not. The staff and hundreds of volunteers are to be praised for a fine effort.
- Duchess Marion Fitzwilliam, Ealdormere -- Kingdom Seneschal. Duchess Marion is gifted with tremendous administrative skills and a delightfully dry wit in full measure, making her a brilliant co-worker, a fine kingdom officer, and a completely poor choice of people to cross. Her Grace now slips off to enjoy her pension, not realizing her resignation letter was accidentally filed as an application for my job.
- Duchess Cyneswith aet Caldhaefen, West Kingdom — Energetic Kingdom Seneschal. Her Grace leaves us to ascend to the Coronet of the Mists—but not before a fine term as Kingdom Seneschal was completed. Cyneswith has implemented many administrative reforms to advance and simplify how the West is run—something the realm will benefit from for years.
- Director Jeff Brown. As many people know, Director Brown has come to the end of his exemplary term as a Director of the Society for Creative Anachronism. Many have benefited from his long labors even while dodging the attentions of the kind entrepreneur in da pin strip soot and spats. What everyone might not be aware of is the good humor, warm heart and willingness to expend countless hours for the benefit of his charges that are the spirit of his service. Jeff has such an easy-going humorous nature that some folk may miss the iron will to succeed and fearless defense of those who

cannot look out for themselves. The Kingdom of An Tir has long been a shining jewel in the known world, giving us many gifts over many years. It appears that in lending us Director Brown for a span, they have truly outdone themselves.

(F) Publishable Summary:

Persona Theft and False Awards and Honors. I find myself compelled to use this space to speak to the membership about a fairly rare problem that has tripled in quantity and directly detracts from the inherent value of the entire system of Theatrical reenactment and recognition of excellence that flavor so much of the Society. I refer here to the growing number of cases where we find someone either claiming to be possessed of the titles of a peer/noble/notable person—or outright stealing/borrowing the persona and titles of a person who labored long and hard for the honors and reputation being so casually nicked.

No sense of fame or positive regard is worth the ignominious and final demise that awaits the SCA career of anyone we catch doing this. And they are always caught. I do not write of this problem and ask the membership to teach our new folk the value of earning honors as opposed to sneakily claiming them because I worry the perpetrators will get away with the caper. They will not. I worry about the disheartening impact on the members and participants who work with good souls, a sound conscience, and can lose faith in what we are and seek to do when they encounter such crass thievery. This growing problem will be stemmed by the swift and final treatment of those caught in the act of persona theft/false honors—that is **my** job and I am all over it. It will also be eased by teaching our new folk what the path to recognition is and encouraging them to walk upon it.

Report Filed.

C. Vice President of Corporate Operations—Renee Signorotti

- (A) Requests for Board action: None.
- (B) Policy Interpretations: None.
- (C) New policies: None.
- (D) Commendations:

We're all going to miss you Jeff; your kindness, your thoughtful insight with problem solving, and even your bad behavior (my favorite). It's been a pleasure working with you.

(E) Publishable Summary:

The Corporate Office reports that all tax returns have been filed by the October 15, 2007 deadline. The long-awaited reimbursement check of \$38,000.00 has been received from the U.S. Postal Service. This brings the T.I. holding account down to a balance of \$3,754.97; a much more logical amount. The logic has been added to the Registry database for capturing the status and expiration date of background check information. These are "locked" portals and can only be opened up with a specific

code. As always, our members' personal information is CONFIDENTIAL, and treated accordingly. The Registry database conversion testing was slowed this past quarter, due to the programmer moving from California to Tennessee. Testing will begin again on Monday, October 22nd.

Report Filed.

1. Tournaments Illuminated – Dori Andrepont (Doria Tecla)

(A) Requests for Board Action:

1. Board Action

a. Release Forms: Can the Release Forms be converted to online forms like the waivers? Having the mail-in form delays submissions, and in some instances, negates them completely.

By consensus, Chairman Simon ordered that this item be returned to the Tournament Illuminated Editor for further work.

2. Board Action: Cover Art

In consideration of the cover always featuring "art" of the known world, can we take that a step further and include full color photographs of other forms of art (i.e. jewelry, armor, and garb)?

By consensus, Chairman Simon stated that this falls under the purview of the Tournaments Illuminated Editor.

(B) Policy interpretations: None.

(C) New policies: None.

(D) Commendations:

I would particularly like to thank the kingdoms of Drachenwald and Lochac for their contributions this issue. The third quarter issue deadline came during Pennsic, and the resulting shortage of people to ask for photographs and small contributions was immense. I turned to Drachenwald and Lochac and their help was immediate, gracious and much appreciated. Gracious thanks also go to Renee Signorotti, Michael Harvey, and R.G.L. MacGregor for their ongoing help and commitment to this publication.

(E) Publishable summary:

Tournaments Illuminated is ongoing with the changes to "magazine" format, and for the most part, the changes have been favorably received. The Fourth Quarter issue is currently being printed and should be mailed October 6. Incoming TI Editor Report — September 2007 Attachment: I

The Board of Directors would like to commend the Tournaments Illuminated Editor and her staff for the excellent work being done to improve the quality of this publication.

Report filed.

2. Compleat Anachronist - - Rae L. Hadley (Towen ferch Grufudd Aur)
 - (A) Requests for Board Action: None.
 - (B) Policy interpretations: None.
 - (C) New policies: None.
 - (D) Commendations:

I would like to commend Chris Lanning, the author of CA # 135, and the 14 authors of the upcoming CA #136. These people have been an inspiration to work with.

- (E) Publishable summary:

During this quarter, CA # 135 has been delivered. Issue #136 is in progress and several other manuscripts are in varying stages of progress.

Report filed.

- D. Treasurer – Alan Andrist (Alanus of Bunghea)

- (A) Requests for Board Action:

1. Accept the Society Exchequer's request to close the NMS collection process for 2004. Reporting and collection of the NMS for that year has reached 99% and further collections are no longer practicable. It is time to put the NMS for 2004 to bed. From the NMS Deputy's report for this quarter; "NMS 2004 Events CURRENT TOTAL: \$171,859.18 with approximately 99% (1289/1307) known events reported as of October 1, 2007, Aethelmearc, An Tir, Ansteorra, Artemisia, Atenveldt, Atlantia, Caid, Calontir, East. Meridies, Outlands, Trimaris and West are at 100% compliance. Ealdormere, Middle and Northshield are at 97% or more. Drachenwald is at 78%."

By consensus, Chairman Simon stated that this is within the purview of the Society Exchequer.

- (B) Policy Interpretations: None.

- (C) New policies:

1. To establishment of a policy of appointing appropriate officers and Board members to a budget review committee to review and adjust the budget prior to the quarterly Board of

Directors meetings. This committee would make a recommendation to the balance of the Board regarding passage or modification of the budget.

In my professional opinion, the past practice of the Board reviewing the budget in full session is not a practical or appropriate use of the Board's limited time or financial resources. Review by a committee consisting of the Treasurer, President, financial ombudsman and one to two financially knowledgeable members of the Board would produce a more thorough review of the budget while streamlining the approval process from approximately 6+ hours to 2 hours or less of Board meeting time.

I am employed as a business process analyst and best practice developer. Use of a financially knowledgeable budget review committee is a current business best practice for both for-profit and not-for-profit corporations. During an average 20+ hour Board meeting we spend approximately \$420 per meeting hour. Utilizing a budget review committee to review and recommend action on the budget would reduce the cost of the approval process from \$8400+ to approximately \$840 or less.

By consensus, Chairman Simon stated that this item falls within the purview of the Treasurer's office.

(D) Commendations:

Commendation to Patrick Anderson for bringing his insight and nimble response to our daily crises. Commendation to Patrick Anderson, Mazelle Attiya, Jeff Brown and Hal Simon for bringing 'best business practices' forward as a pervasive issue to be addressed and led by the Board or Directors.

(E) Publishable summary:

The 2008 budget is currently being worked on with a deadline to be completed by the January 2008 meeting.

Report filed.

1. Society Exchequer – Mazelle Attiya (Maitresse Alysia Gabrielle de Fougères)

(A) Requests for Board Action:

1. Approve the revised Chancellor of the Exchequer Branch
Officers' Reference Handbook.

Handled under Item V. B.

2. Approve the revised Chancellor of the Exchequer Kingdom
Officers Reference Handbook.

Handled under Item V. B.

3. Approve revised Financial Policies of Aethelmarc.

Motion by Heather English to approve revised Financial Policies of Aethelmearc as presented, effective immediately. Seconded by Aaron Lloyd. In favor: Jeff Brown, Heather English, Aaron Lloyd, Marilee Lloyd, Shawn Reed, Gabrielle Underwood. Opposed: None. Motion carried.

4. Due to the parity of the Canadian Dollar to the US dollar. I am requesting the Board of Directors discuss the Non Member Surcharge fee for the Canadian groups.

Handled under Item V.A.

5. Please approve the release of funds in the amount of \$12,398.99 from the Barony of Caerthe Building fund to Medieval Properties, Inc. (FEIN 27-0008351). I have received all the documentation to support the amount of money to transfer and agree with said amount.

Motion by Shawn Reed to approve the release of funds in the amount of \$12,398.99 from the Barony of Caerthe Building fund to Medieval Properties, Inc. as requested by the Society Exchequer. Seconded by Marilee Lloyd. In favor: Jeff Brown, Heather English, Aaron Lloyd, Marilee Lloyd, Shawn Reed, Gabrielle Underwood. Opposed: None. Motion carried.

(B) Policy Interpretations: None.

(C) New policies: None.

(D) Commendations: None.

(E) Publishable summary:

Most kingdoms are continuing to report on time. Upon approval, revised versions of the Kingdom and Branch Exchequer's Handbooks will be available on the Society Exchequer's web page.

Report filed.

2. Investment Committee – Abel Sussman (Abel Brem of Regensfolke)

(A) Requests for Board Action:

1. The Board is asked to update the stop loss orders as indicated.

By consensus, Chairman Simon approved the update of the stop loss orders as presented.

2. The Board is asked to approve the purchase of the following equities:

(a) \$10,000 of ConocoPhillips (COP), or roughly 170 shares.

By consensus, Chairman Simon approved the purchase of \$10,000 of ConocoPhillips (COP) as requested by the Investment Committee.

(b) \$12,000 of Berkshire Hathaway class R (BRK.R), or roughly 3 shares.

By consensus, Chairman Simon approved the purchase of \$12,000 of Berkshire Hathaway class R (BRK.R) as requested by the Investment Committee.

(c) \$4,000 of The PowerShares WilderHill Clean Energy Fund (PBW), or roughly 168 shares.

By consensus, Chairman Simon approved the purchase of \$4,000 of the PowerShares WilderHill Clean Energy Fund (PBW) as requested by the Investment Committee.

(d) \$10,000 of Wells Fargo (WFC), or roughly 270 shares.

By consensus, Chairman Simon approved the purchase of \$10,000 of Wells Fargo (WFC) as requested by the Investment Committee.

(B) Policy Interpretations: None.

(C) New policies: None.

(D) Commendations: None.

(E) Publishable summary:

Due to the market turmoil experienced over the summer many of our stop-loss orders were activated. The market has since returned to record highs, as evidenced by the Dow Jones Industrial average, while our holdings were moved to cash. Nevertheless we consider the automatic sales a success because they prevented from possible losses, if the federal interest rate had not been cut many of our holdings would have dropped further. The opportunity is now to reallocate our holdings to succeed in the current market environment.

Report filed.

E. Society Chronicler – Tim White (Otto von Schwyz)

(A) Requests for Board Action:

1. I am requesting that the Board approves the need for a Society Copyright Deputy. I have been told that we have a copyright deputy and I am unable to locate any information as to who this individual is and should be considered uninterested in the position at this time.

By consensus, Chairman Simon stated that this falls under the purview of the Society Chronicler.

(B) Policy Interpretations:

1 Received a request on clarification on what is defined as an "official society publication." The Calontir chronicler had a breakdown in communication with the autocrat of a kingdom level event and part of the flyer missed publication in the kingdom newsletter. The question was; does a baronial newsletter or the kingdom website qualify as an "official society publication". My ruling was that in section four of the Society Chronicler's policy states that not every event needs to be published in the Kingdom newsletter unless the event falls under one of the six exceptions where it must be published. I did ask the chronicler to contact the Crown and the Kingdom Seneschal to see if they can change Kingdom law/policy due to extraordinary circumstances for this one event should they need to.

By consensus, Chairman Simon order this item returned to the Society Chronicler for further work.

2. Received a request to clarify an issue on Midrealm's *Grete Boke* imaging project. The project is to preserve this work of art on optical gold disks by a professional archivist at the library that the holder of the book currently works. The question was regarding in giving copies of the scanned images to the original contributors of the book. At this time there are a few individuals that do not have signed release forms for publishing their work and since this is the case I suggested that should a contributor request a copy it should be for their work only; thus preventing loss of control and a distribution of copyrighted work to the mainstream public. I also suggested that everything should be documented; all releases need to be easily accessible and that the artists are aware that once completed this could be considered a public domain project.

By consensus, Chairman Simon order this item returned to the Society Chronicler for further work.

3. Received a request on clarification on the need of model releases when dealing with photographs. Currently I cannot find a policy clearly stating that a release is required for publications. I ruled that a release is necessary from the photographer, requesting that a description or a copy of the photo to be attached to the release on file. In the cause of minors in photos; make sure that the parent or guardian has signed a release and it states as to what the picture will be used for or in.

By consensus, Chairman Simon order this item returned to the Society Chronicler for further work.

(C) New policies: None.

(D) Commendations:

The Society Chronicler commends the outgoing Society Chronicler, Nicolaa de Bracton (Susan Carroll-Clark) for her tireless effort and duty to the office and to the Society as a whole.

The Society Chronicler commends the outgoing Chronicler of Midrealm, Despotissa Heirusalem Crystoma (Sara R. Rogers). She has produced an outstanding Kingdom Newsletter as well as consistently raising important issues to the attention of this office and working hard to educate the local chronicler on policy.

(E) Publishable summary:

The Society Chronicler reported that all newsletters are running smoothly.

Report filed.

- F. Laurel Sovereign of Arms – Lisa Mohr (Elisabeth de Rossignol)
 - (A) Requests for Board Action: None.
 - (B) Policy Interpretations: None.
 - (C) New policies:

In the Cover Letter of the May 2007 LoAR I advised the College of Arms that the June 2007 LoAR would be the final one issued in hard copy. I anticipate this will save the Laurel Office about \$2400 per year, as well as preserve many trees. In the same Cover Letter I announced that starting with Letter of Intent issued in October of 2007, the price of submissions at Laurel would be reduced from \$4.00US to \$3.00US. This was after consultation with the principal heralds, with recommendation that they follow suit in reducing their Kingdom prices for submissions when and as they are able. All expressed their willingness and ability to do so. I feel this will be a very considerable boon to public relations and, by their own admission, should not be a financial hardship to any Kingdom.

By consensus, Chairman Simon ordered that no action be taken.

- (D) Commendations:

I would like to commend Lord Symond and Mistress Marta of Atenveldt, who have for many years produced the hard copy of the LoAR; Margaret Pelican, and Jeanne Marie Wreath.

- (E) Publishable summary:

As of Letters of Intent dated October 2007, the price for submissions to Laurel will go from \$4.00US to \$3.00US.

Report filed.

- G. Marshal – Kevin Roderick (Hrothgar Monomakh)
 - (A) Review for acceptance the updated Equestrian Handbook.

Handled under Item V. C.

- (B) Add THL Siegfried Sebastian Faust as my Deputy for Combat Archery.

By consensus, Chairman Simon ordered this warrant be signed during a break.

- (B) Policy Interpretations:None.
- (C) New policies: None.

- (D) Commendations: None.
- (E) Publishable summary:

Overall marshal activity within the Society has run smoothly with few problems to report. Pennsic generally went well with respect to martial activities. A revised Equestrian Handbook has been submitted for review this quarter.

Report filed.

- H. Minister of Arts and Sciences – Tim Jennings (Garraed Galbraith)
 - (A) Requests for Board Action: None.
 - (B) Policy Interpretations: None.
 - (C) New policies: None.
 - (D) Commendations:

Marquessa Laurellen de Brandevin on her recent nuptials. Thanks to Messr. Guiseppe da Borgia for all his hard work in Caid and for being a great deputy. Thanks to Mistress Danabren in the East for 2 years of Joy. Great Thanks to THL (that is new! congrats!) Gwendyon Casgudcath for being an excellent KMoAS in my own Kingdom. Happy Retirement.

- (E) Publishable summary:

I have heard from all of my officers but one - who normally has good reporting habits - so I will expect this to clear up in the next few days. My officers remain cool dudes and dude-ettes and have all served well. Life is busy but good. I leave for England in a few days and will be away from my desk until Oct 15.

Report filed.

- I. Society Chirurgeon – Marcia Schlemm (Katrei Grunenberg)
 - (A) Requests for Board Action: None.
 - (B) Policy Interpretations:

1. Incident reports at inter-kingdom events should be maintained by the Kingdom Chirurgeon of the Kingdom in whose geographical boundaries the event occurs. Those reports should be held and destroyed as stated in the published current paperwork retention policies.

Motion by Shawn Reed to approve the Society Chirurgeon's policy that incident reports at inter-kingdom events should be maintained by the Kingdom Chirurgeon of the Kingdom in whose

geographical boundaries the event occurs. Seconded by Aaron Lloyd. In favor: Jeff Brown, Heather English, Aaron Lloyd, Marilee Lloyd, Shawn Reed, Gabrielle Underwood. Opposed: None. Motion carried.

(C) New policies:

1. Any Chirurgeon whose warrant has been revoked by their Kingdom Chirurgeon who wishes to rejoin the active Chirurgeonate will need to apply to the Society Chirurgeon and adhere to all strictures given by the Society Chirurgeon.

Motion by Shawn Reed to approve the Society Chirurgeon's policy that any Chirurgeon whose warrant has been revoked by their Kingdom Chirurgeon who wishes to rejoin the active Chirurgeonate will need to apply to the Society Chirurgeon. Seconded by Aaron Lloyd. In favor: Jeff Brown, Heather English, Aaron Lloyd, Marilee Lloyd, Shawn Reed, Gabrielle Underwood. Opposed: None. Motion carried.

(D) Commendations:

Mir and Phineas stepped down as Kingdom Chirurgeons in An Tir and Atenveldt, respectively. With much thanks for the good work and heartfelt conversations, I wish them success in their next endeavors.

(E) Publishable summary:

Pennsic was intermittently wet and intermittently calm.

From the Chirurgeon Ombudsman: Additionally, please let the minutes reflect the following statement: The Society and Kingdom Chirurgeon have full authority to revoke warrants of Chirurgeons within their jurisdiction, for just and stated cause. There are standard policies and procedures governing the imposition of sanctions, warrant revocation, and appeals that apply to all officer chains. We strongly encourage ALL members and ALL officers, to follow these policies and procedures and work within the official chain of command to resolve disputes.

Report filed.

J. Chief Technology Officer – Scott D. Courtney (Justinos Tekton called Justin)

(A) Requests for Board Action: None.

(B) Policy Interpretations: None.

(C) New policies: None.

(D) Commendations:

Thanks to Jeff Brown for his assistance in bringing the Directors online with the new CRM-I 14 spam

filtering system, and for locating an excellent contractor so help with the web redesign project.

(E) Publishable summary:

A combination of Pennsic staff workload and several critical support issues held up work on strategic projects this quarter, but both of these factors are now behind us, and work resumes on strategic initiatives. I will be working with the Society Seneschal to begin the process of recruiting my successor in office, with the goal of handing over the job when my term ends in mid-April 2008.

Report filed.

The meeting recessed for lunch at 12:15 p.m. MST and reconvened in open session at 1:47 p.m. MST.

K. Standing Committees

1. Grand Council – James Sena (Brendan ap Llewelyn) -
Chairman, Everett S. Wallace, Jr. (Kevin Eriol) - Secretary

(A) Requests for Board Action: None.

(B) Policy Interpretations: None.

(C) New policies: None.

(D) Commendations: None.

(E) Publishable summary:

The Grand Council examined a number of topics during the third quarter of 2007. Initially, it discussed three related topics: creating a 10-year plan, creating a business plan, and recruiting and retention of Society level officers. The Council also developed a list of long-range planning topics which could serve as seeds for a brainstorming session conducted as part of the Boards Long Range Planning meeting. In addition, the council began discussions of possible ramifications of the pending civil suits against the SCA relating to the child abuse charges against Ben the Steward, and in particular of the potential ramifications of the decision of the SCA's insurance carrier to deny coverage in this matter.

Report filed.

2. Legal Committee – David R. Knudson (Tamlin Lochmaben)

(A) Requests for Board Action: None.

(B) Policy Interpretations: None.

(C) New policies: None.

(D) Commendations: None.

(E) Publishable summary:

The Legal Committee was not presented with any new issues in the 3rd Quarter of 2007. The Committee did, however, review and discuss a recent California Supreme Court case regarding a minor's waiver and its validity as it pertains to ordinary and gross negligence. The Committee believes the minor waivers currently in place provide the best possible protection for the SCA, Inc.

Report filed.

VII CORRESPONDENCE

There was no Correspondence was distributed to the Directors and officers this quarter.

VIII EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Executive Session opened on Friday, October 19, 2007 at 8:05 a.m. MST. and recessed at 9:05 p.m. MST.

A. Greg Prevost (Janos of Cyddian Downes) Revocation & Denial of Membership

In consultation with the Banishing Crown and after review and consideration of the investigator's report, for severe violations of SCA standards of behavior as recorded in the Governing Documents:

Motion by Aaron Lloyd to remove all the SCA ranks, titles, honors, awards and commendations and the privileges thereof, Greg Prevost (Janos of Cyddian Downes), effective October 20, 2007. Seconded by Gabrielle Underwood. In favor: Jeff Brown, Heather English, Aaron Lloyd, Marilee Lloyd, Shawn Reed, Gabrielle Underwood. Opposed: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Gabrielle Underwood to revoke and deny the membership of Greg Prevost (Janos of Cyddian Downes), effective October 20, 2007. Seconded by Aaron Lloyd. In favor: Jeff Brown, Heather English, Aaron Lloyd, Marilee Lloyd, Shawn Reed, Gabrielle Underwood. Opposed: None. Motion carried.

B. Gabrielle Plocar aka Gabrielle Ward (Murrion de Draco) Absolute Banishment

Motion by Shawn Reed to uphold the absolute banishment of Gabrielle Plocar aka Gabrielle Ward (Murrion de Draco) imposed by Morgan and Livia, King and Queen of Atenveldt, on September 29, 2007, and to direct the Society Seneschal to begin an investigation into a possible revocation and denial of membership. Seconded by Aaron Lloyd. In favor: Jeff Brown, Heather English, Aaron Lloyd, Marilee Lloyd, Shawn Reed, Gabrielle Underwood. Opposed: None. Motion carried.

C. Joel A. Oppenheimer (Joel the Wanderer) Revocation & Denial of Membership

In consultation with the banishing Crowns and with the sanctioning Crown, and in review and consideration of the investigators report, and for criminal conviction:

Motion by Gabrielle Underwood to revoke and deny the membership of Joel A. Oppenheimer (Joel the Wanderer), effective October 20, 2007. Seconded by Shawn Reed. In favor: Jeff Brown, Heather English, Aaron Lloyd, Marilee Lloyd, Shawn Reed, Gabrielle Underwood. Opposed: None. Chairman Simon exercised his option to vote and did so in favor of the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

D. Dirk Lancaster (Dirk Ivanovitch) Absolute Banishment

Motion by Gabrielle Underwood to uphold the absolute banishment of Dirk Lancaster (Dirk Ivanovitch) imposed by Drogo and Ithuna, King and Queen of Caid, on September 29, 2007, and to direct the Society Seneschal to begin an investigation into a possible revocation and denial of membership. Seconded by Heather English. In favor: Jeff Brown, Heather English, Aaron Lloyd, Marilee Lloyd, Shawn Reed, Gabrielle Underwood. Opposed: None. Motion carried.

E. Jason Tate Revocation & Denial of Membership

In consultation with the Banishing Crown and after review and consideration of the investigator's report, for violations of SCA standards of behavior as recorded in the Governing Documents:

Motion by Marilee Lloyd to revoke and deny the membership of Jason Tate, effective immediately. Seconded by Jeff Brown. In favor: Jeff Brown, Heather English, Aaron Lloyd, Marilee Lloyd, Shawn Reed, Gabrielle Underwood. Opposed: None. Motion carried.

F. Jeffery Neimeyer (Philippe) Revocation & Denial of Membership

In consultation with the banishing Crowns and with the sanctioning Crown, and in review and consideration of the investigators report, and for acknowledgement of criminal offenses:

Motion by Heather English to revoke and deny the membership of Jeffery Neimeyer (Philippe), effective October 20, 2007. Seconded by Marilee Lloyd. In favor: Jeff Brown, Heather English, Aaron Lloyd, Marilee Lloyd, Shawn Reed, Gabrielle Underwood. Opposed: None. Chairman Simon exercised his option to vote and did so in favor of the motion. Motion carried.

G. David Mitchell (Damingo De Vasquez) Revocation & Denial of Membership

In consultation with the Banishing Crown and after review and consideration of the investigator's report, for violations of SCA standards of behavior as recorded in the Governing Documents:

Motion by Jeff Brown to revoke and deny the membership of David Mitchell (Damingo De Vasquez), effective October 20, 2007. Seconded by Gabrielle Underwood. In favor: Jeff Brown, Heather English, Aaron Lloyd, Marilee Lloyd, Shawn Reed, Gabrielle Underwood. Opposed: None. Motion carried.

H. Kenneth Weaver (Padashar) Absolute Banishment

Motion by Shawn Reed to uphold the absolute banishment of Kenneth Weaver (Padashar) imposed by Rurik and Angelik, King and Queen of Aethelmarc, on August 4, 2007, and to direct the Society Seneschal to begin an investigation into a possible revocation and denial of membership. Seconded by

Jeff Brown. In favor: Jeff Brown, Heather English, Aaron Lloyd, Marilee Lloyd, Shawn Reed, Gabrielle Underwood. Opposed: None. Motion carried.

I. Chirurgeonate Operations Committee Report

Chairman Simon ordered that no action be taken.

J. Confirmation of Director Marilee Lloyd

Motion Shawn Reed to confirm Marilee Lloyd to Seat C for the remainder of the standard term. Second by Gabrielle Underwood. In favor: Jeff Brown, Heather English, Aaron Lloyd, Shawn Reed, Hal Simon, Gabrielle Underwood. Opposed: None. Motion carried.

K. Director Selection

Chairman Simon ordered that this item be remanded to the November 2007 conference call.

L. Ombudsman Assignments

Chairman Simon ordered the following Ombudsman assignments effective as of the end of the October 20, 2007 quarterly Board meeting.

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| Hal Simon | President, Society Seneschal, Corporate Office, Legal Committee, Executive Assistant |
| Gabrielle Underwood | Ansteorra, Meridies, Trimaris, Board Recruiting, Gleann Abhann, Drachenwald, Marshal |
| Heather English | Atenveldt, Artemisia, Outlands, Financial Officers |
| Erik Langhans | Æthelmearc, East, Middle, Publications |
| Aaron Lloyd | Caid, Lochac, Heralds, Information Technology |
| Marilee Lloyd | Northshield, West, Grand Council, Ealdormere, Arts & Sciences |
| Shawn Reed | Chirurgeon, An Tir, Calontir, Atlantia |

M. Resignation of Treasurer

Motion by Gabrielle Underwood to accept the resignation of Alan Andrist (Alanus of Bunghea) as Treasurer, effective immediately. Second by Shawn Reed. In favor: Jeff Brown, Heather English, Aaron Lloyd, Shawn Reed, Hal Simon, Gabrielle Underwood. Opposed: None. Chairman Simon exercised his option to vote and did so in favor of the motion. Motion carried.

The Board of Directors would like to thank Mr. Andrist for his hard work on behalf of the Society, and to wish him the best in his future endeavors.

